REMARKS

Applicant provisionally elects Species A, with traverse. Claims 3, 13, 17 - 22, 25-27, 34, 36, 38 - 41, and 44 - 48 are believed to read on the elected species.

The Examiner is requested to reconsider the Species Election Requirement because all of the species are drawn to subject matter which are so related to each other that an undue burden would not be placed upon the Examiner by maintaining all of the species in a single application. (see, e.g., MPEP § 803)

fully submitted.

Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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